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In re Application of

Jean-Luc RENAUD-BEZOT et al.

Serial No.: 09/912,601

Group Art Unit: 3641

Filed: July 26, 2001

Examiner: Troy Chambers

For: EXPLOSIVE AMMUNITION WITH FRAGMENTING STRUCTURE

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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PARKHURST & WENDEL

In response to the Office Action mailed April 9, 2002, applicants hereby provisionally elect, with traverse, species B for initial examination in this application. Claims 1 and 3-8 read on the elected species and claim 1 is generic to all species outlined in the Office Action.

Applicants respectfully traverse the election requirement since all of species A-C are sufficiently related that a thorough and complete search for species B would necessarily encompass a thorough and complete search for species A and C. Thus, it is

respectfully submitted that search and examination of all species herein could be made without serious burden.

For at least the foregoing reasons, reconsideration and withdrawal of the election requirement and examination of all species herein are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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